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1. Work at the ACA: Work at the ACA is proceeding slowly and inefficiently. Many mistakes are made and left uncorrected. Directive #24 of the Control Council was accepted. Russian dele-
gates made a grave error in agreeing to it, realizing too late that accord-
ing to this directive sixty per cent of the total taxes would be borne by
the working class and only thirty to thirty-five per cent by privately
owned commercial corporations. No agreement on a standard identification
card for all Germans has been reached; however, due to the shortage of
paper, the Russians have been unable to issue identification cards to Ger-
mans residing in the Eastern Zone. Soviet delegates at the ACA are literally
stranded by tons of paper received from Allied elements, and catching up with
current business is almost hopeless unless the general efficiency of work
greatly improves.

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2. Work at the UVD: It is the primary responsibility of Russia to control the
work of various German administrations. In some cases such controls are con-
spicuous by their absence. During the third quarter of last year, i.e., July,
August, and September 1947, there were 36,000 criminal cases in the Russian
Zone; in the fourth quarter 40,000 criminal cases were reported. Out of the
last total there were 136 criminal assaults on Soviet citizens. The number
of fires has increased tremendously and, significantly enough, many of these
fires were in wheat and grain supply dumps. Reparation materials tend to
melt away the farther east the train travels. In Walkov's directorate there
has been one scandal after another. the point has been reached
where he is ashamed to admit to his superiors that he is the commanding offi-
cer of the UVD.
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3. UVD Reorganization: There will be no drastic reorganization of the UVD. Certain individuals will be returned, some transferred to other directorates, but as a whole the work will continue as previously. Administratively speaking, there will be three sections:

- a. I Section - Control of the German police, as at present.
- b. II Section - Civil Affairs Section.
- c. III Section - Headquarters Administrative Section.

A similar organizational structure will be followed in all provinces. An inspection visit by Deputy Minister, MED, Serov, is expected in the near future.

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